

BOB JONES *University*

SEVENTIETH COMMENCEMENT

Baccalaureate Service



Founder's Memorial Amphitorium
April 27, 1997



PRELUDE: Scherzo in E Major *Eugène Gigout*
Partita on “What God Ordains Is Always Good” . . . *Johann Pachelbel*
Dr. Ed Dunbar, organist

HYMN: And Can It Be *text, Charles Wesley*
music, Thomas Campbell
(The congregation will stand.)

1
And can it be that I should gain
An interest in the Saviour's blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain?
For me, who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! how can it be
That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

2
He left His Father's throne above,
So free, so infinite His grace;
Emptied Himself of all but love,
And bled for Adam's helpless race;
'Tis mercy all, immense and free;
For, O my God, it found out me.

3
Long my imprisoned spirit lay
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray,
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
My chains fell off, my heart was free;
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.

4
No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine!
Alive in Him, my living Head,
And clothed in righteousness Divine,
Bold I approach th'eternal throne,
And claim the crown, thro' Christ my own.

UNIVERSITY CREED:

I believe in the inspiration of the Bible, both the Old and the New Testaments; the creation of man by the direct act of God; the incarnation and virgin birth of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ; His identification as the Son of God; His vicarious atonement for the sins of mankind by the shedding of His blood on the cross; the resurrection of His body from the tomb; His power to save men from sin; the new birth through the regeneration by the Holy Spirit; and the gift of eternal life by the grace of God.

DOXOLOGY:

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!
Amen.

INVOCATION: Dr. Thurman Wisdom, Dean
School of Religion

ANTHEM: Festive Praise *text, Psalm 92*
(adapted by Allen Pote)
music, Allen Pote

University Vesper Choir
Dr. Gail Gingery, director

OFFERTORY: I Sing the Mighty Power of God *arr. Peter Davis*

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Dr. Bob Jones, Chancellor

HYMN: Jesus Christ, the Crucified *text, Johann C. Schwedler*
(translation, Benjamin Kennedy)
music, H. A. César Malan

(The congregation will stand.)

1
Ask ye what great thing I know
That delights and stirs me so?
What the high reward I win?
Whose the Name I glory in?
Jesus Christ, the Crucified.

2
Who defeats my fiercest foes?
Who consoles my saddest woes?
Who revives my fainting heart,
Healing all its hidden smart?
Jesus Christ, the Crucified.

3
Who is life in life to me?
Who the death of death will be?
Who will place me on His right,
With the countless hosts of light?
Jesus Christ, the Crucified.

4
This is that great thing I know;
This delights and stirs me so:
Faith in Him who died to save,
Him who triumphed o'er the grave,
Jesus Christ, the Crucified.

SOLO: My Song *text, Bob Jones, Jr.*
music, Joan Pinkston
Dr. William McCauley, soloist

SERMON: Rev. Victor Sadaka, LL.D.

HYMN: The Sands of Time Are Sinking *text, Anne Ross Cousin*
music, Chrétien Urhan

(The congregation will stand.)

1
The sands of time are sinking,
The dawn of heaven breaks;
The summer morn I've sighed for,
The fair, sweet morn, awakes;
Dark dark hath been the midnight,
But dayspring is at hand,
And glory, glory dwelleth
In Immanuel's land.

2
O Christ, He is the fountain,
The deep, sweet well of love!
The streams on earth I've tasted
More deep I'll drink above:
There to an ocean fullness
His mercy doth expand,
And glory, glory dwelleth
In Immanuel's land.

With mercy and with judgment
 My web of time He wove,
 And aye the dews of sorrow
 Were lustered by His love.
 I'll bless the hand that guided,
 I'll bless the heart that planned,
 When throned where glory dwelleth
 In Immanuel's land.

The bride eyes not her garment,
 But her dear Bridegroom's face;
 I will not gaze at glory,
 But on my King of grace.
 Not at the crown He giveth,
 But on His pierced hand,
 The lamb is all the glory
 Of Immanuel's land.

BENEDICTION: Dr. Bob Wood, Executive Vice President

POSTLUDE: Fanfare and Processional *Douglas Wagner*

*We wish to remind our guests that once the program
 has begun, no one will be admitted or readmitted.*